

Application No: 10/697,363
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REMARKS

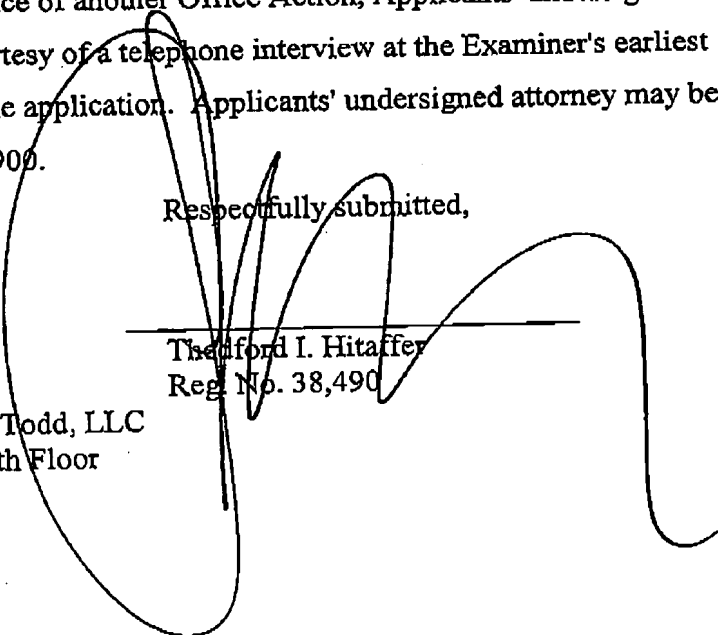
The Examiner has indicated that Claims 26 and 27 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. The limitations of Claim 26 have been written into Claim 20, the claim from which Claim 26 depended. This should place Claim 20 in condition for allowance. Claim 26 is hereby cancelled. Claim 27, which was dependent on Claim 26, has been amended to depend from Claim 20. Claim 22 also has been amended to include the limitations of claim 26. Claim 22 now includes all the limitations of claim 20, as currently amended, plus the additional limitation of a biasing element. Consequently, claim 22 should be allowable for at least the same reasons as Claim 20. All the dependent claims depend from either claim 20 or 22 and should be allowable for at least the same reasons as Claims 20 and 22.

In view of the above remarks, it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and a prompt Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested.

Request for Telephone Interview

As a final matter, if the Examiner does not find the application in condition for allowance, prior to issuance of another Office Action, Applicants' undersigned attorney requests the courtesy of a telephone interview at the Examiner's earliest convenience to discuss the application. Applicants' undersigned attorney may be contacted at (419) 255-5900.

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